

Circus takes over

The circus comes to life in Ed Gray Gallery through April 27. Puppet and figure maker Marie Ferrini and photographer Blake Simmons concentrate their efforts on this ancient form of

entertainment—the circus. The gallery is in the mall at 280 N. Woodward in Birmingham. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday. (Staff photos by Dick Kelly)

Human growth meeting set

An organization concerned about why some children do not become average sized adults will hold an open meeting at 1:30 p.m. Sunday, April 23, at Children's Hospital in Detroit.

Members of the Human Growth Foundation, Greater Detroit Chapter don't take growth for granted. They know that some children suffer from growth retardation (short stature) and growth retardation (short stature) and they want to make the public more aware of these problems that affect

more than half a million children in the United States.

The Greater Detroit Chapter is the cuty one in Michigan and is one of 24 in the country whose goal is to eliminate growth problems.

Dr. Stephen Spector, staff psychologist at Children's Hospital and an assistant professor of clinical psychology at Wayne State University's department of pediatrics, will speak on How to Help Parents Cop with Growth Retarded Children.

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Thompson wins national awards

Thompson Middle School's much lauded student publications have taken top honors in a recent national contest.

The Thompson 1977 yearbook "Titan 77" was selected as the best junior high school yearbook in the country by the National Scholastic Press Association (NSPA).

In addition, the yearbook was the only junior high annual publication to

receive the NSPA's "All-American Award."

Thompson's student newspaper
"The Thompson Times" received a
first class award from the NSPA and hrst class award from the NSPA and was judged one of the nation's top eight junior high school newspapers in 1976-77.

Kenson Siver, a journalism teacher at Southfield High School, served as advisor to the students at Thompson

during the time both publications were printed. He likened the awards to a school sports team winning the state or national championship. Success of both the yearbook and he said, is the result of the effort and talent of students who guided and contributed to both publications. Beverley Gould, director of instruction for Southfield Public Schools, called the awards "a super kind of

accomplishment."

It is not the first time either publication has received an award. The Titan is a past winner of the NSPA "All American Award" and other

awards.
"The Thompson Times" have received more than half a dozen first-class awards from the NSPA and has received awards from a student newspaper publishing company.



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